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Dear Mr. Ashcroft:

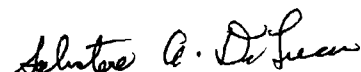
I support the Microsoft antitrust settlement agreement. I believe that continued litigation at this point would be a waste of time.

Endless amounts of time could certainly be spent nit-picking the terms of the agreement. But, as a whole, I believe its terms are fair. The agreement provides for mechanisms to ensure Microsoft does not have a monopoly. Microsoft will be prevented from engaging in predatory business practices. A technical review committee will be created which will monitor Microsoft's business practices. Microsoft also agreed to uniform price lists for the largest computer makers.

Microsoft may have ended up with a monopoly in the software world, and steps are being taken through the settlement to restore competition in that arena. The settlement goes as far as covering products and procedures that were not the subject of the initial lawsuit.

I would like to see this case brought to a conclusion. Thank you for your efforts in this regard.

Sincerely,


Salvatore A. De Luca